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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF	:	Administrative Action
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ERICA M. FERGUSON, LPN	:	CONSENT ORDER
License # 26NP06460600	:	
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TO PRACTICE NURSING	:	
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of a criminal history flagging notice indicating that Erica M. Ferguson, LPN (Respondent) was arrested on October 4, 2011 by members of the Tuckerton Police Department, New Jersey, and charged with violating N.J.S.A. 2C:28-4B (Fictitious Report to Law Enforcement Authority). On February 7, 2012, Respondent was found guilty of the original charge, and was sentenced to one year of probation and assessed fines, penalties, and costs

of six hundred and fifty-eight dollars (\$658).

Respondent claimed that she had been hit by a truck in the parking lot of WaWa and suffered injuries as a result. She called the police station and provided information about the alleged incident. She signed a voluntary statement at the police department. The police reviewed video surveillance which showed that Respondent was not struck by the vehicle. Respondent provided a second voluntary statement indicating that she actually sustained injuries when she fell getting out of her car after she had left the WaWa and arrived at her place of employment.

The Board finds that Respondent has been convicted of, or engaged in acts constituting a crime or offense involving moral turpitude within the intendment of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f). Additionally, the Board finds that Respondent has engaged in the use or employment of dishonesty, fraud, deception, misrepresentation, false promise or false pretense within the intendment of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b). The Board having reviewed this matter, and having considered the nature of the above conduct, and the parties desiring to resolve this matter, and the Board having determined that the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public, in lieu of further proceedings, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS on this 22ND day of May, 2013
HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED that:

1. Erica M. Ferguson, LPN is hereby reprimanded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f) and (b) for the conduct underlying the conviction set forth above.

2. Respondent shall attend and document satisfactory completion of an ethics course, pre-approved by the Board, within six months of the date of filing of this Order. Respondent shall bear the cost of the course and shall not use any credits obtained through the course toward the fulfillment of Continuing Education. Respondent shall submit a certificate of satisfactory completion to the Board within thirty days of completion of the ethics course.

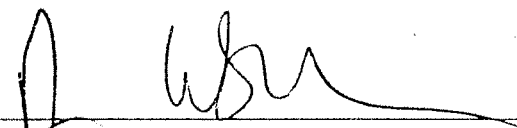
NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By: Patricia Murphy, PhD, APN
Patricia Murphy, PhD, APN
Board President

I have read and understand
the within Consent Order
and agree to be bound by
its terms.

Erica M. Ferguson, LPN 4/30/13
Erica M. Ferguson, LPN Date
License # 26NP06460800

Consent as to entry and form.



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